

In re Application of OSHINS et al.
Serial No. 09/558,469

REMARKS

The Office action has been carefully considered. The Office action rejected claims 1-12, 14, and 29-32 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,185,677 to Nijhawan ("Nijhawan") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,751,975 to Gillespie et al ("Gillespie"). The Office action indicated that claims 15-23, 26-27, and 33-49 are allowed.

Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 15-23, 26-27, and 33-49 are allowed. By present amendment, claims 1-12, 14, and 29-32 have been canceled. Applicants submit that now all the pending claims are allowable over the prior art of record.

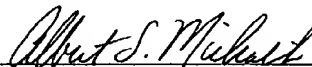
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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks, it is respectfully submitted that claims 15-23, 26-27, and 33-49 are patentable over the prior art of record, and that the application is in good and proper form for allowance. A favorable action on the part of the Examiner is earnestly solicited.

If in the opinion of the Examiner a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (425) 836-3030.

Respectfully submitted,



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